



APRIL 2018

Provider Newsletter



Note Worthy

Activity Plan:

WEATHER

Closure Days:

Monday April 2 2018

Meeting:

Tuesday Apr. 10 2018

6:30 Library

Children and Stress

Fee Changes for the Summer (July and August)

If a client's fees are changing for the summer Andrea needs to be notified of the fee change by the Provider before JUNE 1 2018. The change in fee needs to be documented and signed by the parents stating what the new fee is and they agree to the change. Please make sure you discuss the change in fees with the parent, have them sign a statement agreeing to the change. If we don't receive written acknowledgement of the change in fees by June 1 2018 payment to the Provider will be delayed.

Outdoor Play

Remember to start gathering natural materials to add to your outdoor play space. If anyone was unable to attend the outdoor workshops that were offered in February or wants more info on outdoor play, the Lethbridge College is offering a webinar series on the topic. The ones being offered this month are **Advocating for Outdoor Play** (April 18 2018) and **Creating Outdoor Play Environments with a Sense of Wonder** (April 24 2018). The cost is \$39.03 + GST for each webinar.

To see all of the upcoming webinars and register you can following the link <https://lethbridgecollege.ca/eceseries>

If anyone would like to add some tires to their outdoor space please email odysseychildcare@outlook.com. Shannon has access to free tires of varying sizes.

Summer Holidays

If you know when you are taking summer holidays please email odysseychildcare@outlook.com with the dates you will be closed and who will need back up care.

Accommodating summer holidays in done on a first come first serve basis.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all of the Providers who helped with the subbing for the month of March. We had an unusual amount of subbing and were grateful to all of those Providers who could take the subbing!

EVERY CHILD
is gifted.
THEY JUST UNWRAP
their packages
at different times.

PICTURES

Keep sending in the pictures for the wall mural. We love seeing what's happening in the day homes!!!

children are great imitators. so give them something great to imitate.

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Reminders:

- When you start new clients make sure that you have the parents sign the off-site forms, you review all of their documentation to make sure it is complete and you know of any health concerns with the child. Make sure that the portable records are put in your off site bag. Also add all of the child's information to the emergency contact sheet.
- Whenever you have your parents sign something make sure that they understand what they are signing (holiday clause, fee increase, permission to have people in the home etc.) Often parents are signing things without reading or asking for an explanation about what they are signing. Sometimes the lack of explanation ends up causing a conflict between the Provider and the Parent which could have been avoided with a simple conversation.
- Please let the office know when you are adding a new pet to the home.
- **EMAIL odysseychildcare@outlook.com** with any closure days even if you don't need back up care. If you are closing and your clients need care email in that information as well.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Big Bird Little Bird - Spring Special! Thursday April 5 2018- Starts: 9:30 AM- Ends: 10:30 AM
Location: Helen Schuler Nature Centre. Spring Special | April 5 9:30am-10:30am or 11:00am-12:00pm
Ages 2 to 5 (+Adult) Children & adults discover all that spring has to offer through activities, crafts & games!
Call to Register: 403.320.3064 Website: <https://www.facebook.com/events/175746306404372/>.
Contact: Helen Schuler Nature Centre. Phone: 403-320-3064. Email: hsnc@lethbridge.ca

No Horsin Around Culinary Cook Off Friday April 6 2018 Starts: 5:00 PM-Ends: 9:00 PM.
Location: Lethbridge College (Garden Court) An Iron Chef styled gala where you can vote on which dish you like the best. The event Celebrates the Lethbridge Therapeutic Riding Association in all that they do for our community. includes, 50/50 draw, silent auction and hours of networking fun! Takes place in the garden court at the college tickets of \$100 per person. Website: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/no-horsin-around-culinary-cook-off-tickets-43917355994>. Contact: Gage Cherriman. Phone: 4039292396.
Email: ulethimefundraiser@gmail.com

Princess Tea Party. Saturday April 22 2018. Starts: 1:00 PM-Ends: 3:30 PM. Location: Heritage Inn, Taber. Join our Princesses for a lovely afternoon tea party! Tickets include: high tea, meet and greets and performances with our Princesses, photo opportunities, and more! Princesses Scheduled to Attend: Cinderella Rapunzel Beauty Princess Mermaid Princess Snow Princess Wayfinder Princess *Tickets must be purchased ahead of time **Children must be accompanied by an adult ***Every person attending over the age of 1 year, will need a ticket. Website: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/princess-tea-party-tickets-44044320749>. Contact: Bailey Wright. Phone: 204-841-3010. Email: brb.lethbridge@gmail.com